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An instrument for the medical or dental treatment of children having a treatment element with a tool at one end and a handle with a free end to which a toy element is fastened. The toy element is provided with at least one toy which is visible by the children during treatment.

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